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ADDITIONAL ITEM

Request by Kuwait, on behalf of Arab States members of the Agency, to place an additional item on the agenda

Pursuant to a request of the Resident Representative of Kuwait, the text of a letter of 10 September 1998 addressed by him to the Director General, on behalf of Arab States members of the Agency, is attached hereto.

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TEXT OF LETTER OF 10 SEPTEMBER 1998 FROM THE RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE OF KUWAIT TO THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY

In the light of Rule 15 of the Rules of Procedures of the General Conference and on behalf of the Arab States that are members of the Agency and that have signed this letter, I kindly request you to take the necessary steps as soon as possible to include an additional item entitled "Participation of Palestine in the Work of the International Atomic Energy Agency" in the agenda of the forty-second regular session of the Agency's General Conference (September 1998) in order to apply to the work of the Agency the substance of the resolution adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on 7 July 1998 concerning the granting to Palestine of certain additional privileges and rights relating to its participation in the work of the United Nations.

(signed) Faisal Al-Ghais
Ambassador of the State of Kuwait
Dean of the Arab Diplomatic Corps

LIST OF ARAB STATES REQUESTING THE INCLUSION OF AN ADDITIONAL ITEM ON THE PARTICIPATION OF PALESTINE IN THE WORK OF THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY

Name of State	**Head of delegation**	**Signature**
Kuwait	Faisal Rashed Al-Ghais	(signed)
Algeria	Mokhtar Reguieg	(signed)
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Dr. Said Abdulaati	(signed)
Arab Republic of Egypt	Dr. Mostafa El-Feki	(signed)
Republic of Sudan	Abdel Ghaffar Hassan	(signed)
Lebanon	Samir Hobeica	(signed)
Kingdom of Morocco	Abderrahim Benmoussa	(signed)
Syrian Arab Republic	Riad Siage	(signed)
Republic of Yemen	Hassan Mohamed Makki	(signed)
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	Omar Mohammed Kurdi	(signed)
Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan	Malek Twal	(signed)
State of Qatar	Saleh Al-Bouanin	(signed)
Iraq	Neama Faris	(signed)
United Arab Emirates	Ahmad Rashed Al-Dosari	(signed)
Tunisia	Nabil Amar	(signed)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM ON THE PARTICIPATION OF PALESTINE IN THE WORK OF THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY

1. Palestine has been participating in the work of the Agency as an observer pursuant to resolution GC(XX)/RES/334 adopted by the Agency's General Conference on 23 September 1976.

2. Palestine is a full member of the League of Arab States, the Organization of the Islamic Conference, the Non-Aligned Movement, and the Group of 77 and China.

3. On 7 July 1998, the United Nations General Assembly adopted its resolution A/RES/52/250 concerning the granting to Palestine of certain additional privileges and rights relating to its participation in the work of the United Nations.

4. In keeping with the resolution adopted by the United Nations General Assembly concerning the granting to Palestine of certain additional privileges and rights relating to its participation in the work of the United Nations and in accordance with the provisions of the attached United Nations General Assembly resolution, it is necessary for the Agency's General Conference to adopt a resolution in order to apply the substance of the General Assembly's resolution to the participation of Palestine in the work of the Agency.

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RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

[without reference to a Main Committee (A/52/L.53/Rev.2 and Add.1)]

52/250. Participation of Palestine in the work of the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 181 (II) of 29 November 1947, in which, *inter alia*, it recommended the partition of Palestine into a Jewish State and an Arab State, with Jerusalem as a *corpus separatum*,

Recalling also its resolution 3237 (XXIX) of 22 November 1974, by which it granted observer status to the Palestine Liberation Organization,

Recalling further its resolution 43/160 A of 9 December 1988, adopted under the item entitled "Observer status of national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity and/or by the League of Arab States", in which it decided that the Palestine Liberation Organization was entitled to have its communications issued and circulated as official documents of the United Nations,

Recalling its resolution 43/177 of 15 December 1988, in which it acknowledged the proclamation of the State of Palestine by the Palestine National Council on 15 November 1988 and decided that the designation "Palestine" should be used in place of the designation "Palestine Liberation Organization" in the United Nations system,

Recalling also its resolutions 49/12 A of 9 November 1994 and 49/12 B of 24 May 1995, through which, *inter alia*, arrangements for the special commemorative meeting of the General Assembly on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations, in addition to applying to all Member and observer States, were also applied to Palestine, in its capacity as observer, including in the organizing process of the list of speakers for the commemorative meeting,

Recalling further that Palestine enjoys full membership in the Group of Asian States and the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia,

Aware that Palestine is a full member of the League of Arab States, the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries, the Organization of the Islamic Conference, and the Group of 77 and China,

Aware also that general democratic Palestinian elections were held on 20 January 1996 and that the Palestinian Authority was established on part of the occupied Palestinian territory,

Desirous of contributing to the achievement of the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people, thus attaining a just and comprehensive peace in the Middle East,

1. *Decides* to confer upon Palestine, in its capacity as observer, and as contained in the annex to the present resolution, additional rights and privileges of participation in the sessions and work of the General Assembly and the international conferences convened under the auspices of the Assembly or other organs of the United Nations, as well as in United Nations conferences;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to inform the General Assembly, within the current session, about the implementation of the modalities annexed to the present resolution.

89th plenary meeting
7 July 1998

ANNEX

The additional rights and privileges of participation of Palestine shall be effected through the following modalities, without prejudice to the existing rights and privileges:

1. The right to participate in the general debate of the General Assembly.

2. Without prejudice to the priority of Member States, Palestine shall have the right of inscription on the list of speakers under agenda items other than Palestinian and Middle East issues at any plenary meeting of the General Assembly, after the last Member State inscribed on the list of that meeting.

3. The right of reply.

4. The right to raise points of order related to the proceedings on Palestinian and Middle East issues, provided that the right to raise such a point of order shall not include the right to challenge the decision of the presiding officer.

5. The right to co-sponsor draft resolutions and decisions on Palestinian and Middle East issues. Such draft resolutions and decisions shall be put to a vote only upon request from a Member State.

6. The right to make interventions, with a precursory explanation or the recall of relevant General Assembly resolutions being made only once by the President of the General Assembly at the start of each session of the Assembly.

7. Seating for Palestine shall be arranged immediately after non-member States and before the other observers; and with the allocation of six seats in the General Assembly Hall.

8. Palestine shall not have the right to vote or to put forward candidates.